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COUNCIL AGENDA:

April 18, 2006

TO:

City Council

VIA:

Dennis R. Halloway, City Manager

FROM:

Pamela Byrnes-O'Camb, City Clerk

SUBJECT:

Proclamation - National Donate Life Month - April 2006



CITY OF LOMA LINDA, CA

PROCLAMATION

"National Donate Life Month"

April 2006

WHEREAS, organ and tissue donation is a life-giving act recognized worldwide as the greatest expression of compassion; and

WHEREAS, more than 90,000 individuals nationwide and 19,000 in California are currently the national organ transplant waitlist, and every 90 minutes one person dies while waiting for a donated organ; and

WHEREAS, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives, and donation of tissue can save and enhance the lives of up to 50 others; and

WHEREAS, each year 25,000 lives are saved and the quality of life for many others is enhanced by organ and tissue transplantation; and

WHEREAS, many bereaved families find a measure of comfort in donating organs and tissue so that other may benefit;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Floyd Petersen, Mayor of the City of Loma Linda, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2006

"National Donate Life Month"

and do acknowledge the efforts of Donate Life California, formed to create a statewide donor registry to improve the quality of life through organ and tissue donation and transplantation, and encourage all citizens to learn the facts about organ and tissue donation and to consider making a personal decision to become a potential lifesaving donor.

SIGNED this 18th day of April 2006.

Floyd Petersen, Mayor